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Dear Sir:

This paper is timely submitted in response to the Patent and Trademark Office Action mailed March 21, 2006 for which the shortened – statutory period for response is set to expire on June 21, 2006. Reconsideration of the application in view of the following remarks is respectfully requested.